

Cherrywood Neighborhood Association - Steering Committee Meeting

Date: Wednesday, October 10th, 2007

Place: Asbury Methodist Church

Meeting Minutes

Attendees

Steering Committee Present: Amy Brotman (recording), David Greene (presiding), Emma Pickering, Glenn Reed, Girard Kinney, Michael Bray, Tom Wald,

Steering Committee Absent: Mark Schiff, Rebecca Kohout, Summer McKee, Wade McElroy, 3 Vacancies

Other Attendees: Beverly Schiff, George Holcombe, Anita Grabowski, Gale Greenleaf, Ola Vaughn

Motions

- Motion made to appoint Glen Reed to fill a Steering Committee position until the general membership. Motion seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- Motion made to extend the meeting until 8:10PM. Motion seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- Motion made to direct Girard to communicate to Jim Bennett our policy on rezoning. Motion seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Announcements

- Asbury Bake Sale & Garage Sale: Will happen on Saturday, 10/27 in the morning. It's to support the missions that they do, and everyone is welcome to attend.
- Halloween March & Trick or Treat Map: Starts at 28th and French and goes to Cherrywood Green where there will be some fun activities for the little ones. Also, there will be a map published of houses that are interested in having trick-or-treaters. If you'd like to have trick or treaters, please email textimage@mac.com, and Jennifer will add you to the map.
- Homelessness Panel: The focus of the panel is to be neighborhood specific and is to raise awareness of the issues and consequences of homelessness. Organizational meeting is to be held at 1804 E 39th this Saturday at 4PM.
- Tree planting: 10AM this Saturday at Mike Damal's house at 3811 Cherrywood.
- Cherrywood Green Plant Swap: 9AM this Saturday.
- Willowbrook Reach Butterfly Garden Planting: This Saturday at from 9AM until noon.
- Flea Delivery: Michael Stricklin will be the new coordinator for flea delivery.
- Kilowatt Challenge: For the month of August, we were number 1. We have a pretty good chance to win.
- Film Night: Film night will be moving from Fridays to Wednesdays. Will help with the scheduling of speakers. This coming Wednesday, September 19th at 7PM is film night, and we will be showing Sicko.
- Transit Oriented Development & Affordable Housing: September 17th 6:30– 8:30PM at 808 Niles.
- Upper Boggy Creek: Property at the corner of Robinson and 38 ½ would like to be rezoned from SF3 to GO or LO for a hair salon or computer-based travel agency. The neighborhood planning and zoning committee took a position to oppose the application. We have not yet heard from the applicant. Mark Walters is representing to the applicant and has come through the UBC to get the zoning change.

2. Old Business

- Ms. Firey's Award: The proposal is to make her the Yard of the Month recipient, and that she will get a gardening gift certificate as well. Summer will take over this and get the award together.
- Asbury: Asbury was built in four phases that began in 1947 with the last phase being completed in 1967. Maintenance has been done over the years in piece-meal fashion, and the church is in need of repair. They are trying to survive as a church, and their vision is for the community gathering area of the church to be a gathering place for the community and for the community to be able to use it. Open Door school is their primary revenue, and there are many improvements

that need to be done in order for them to continue in this location. Girard Kinney is the architect that is helping them turn the vision into an architectural plan.

- Gordon Bennett Tribute Fund: CHULA is holding the funds for this effort and is looking to find someone to take this on.
- Homelessness Initiative: See above announcement
- Bylaw Review Regarding Proxy & Email Voting: We will be looking into this so that we can review these parts of the bylaws, look at alternatives, and then propose new language if needed to the neighborhood.
- APD Race Meeting: No one from our neighborhood attended the meeting date on September 27th from 7:30AM - 11:00AM

3. ANC Report

- No report available.

4. Other Agenda Items

Safety: A) Forming a committee to address the many issues. Glen Reed will chair. B) At the commander's forum, the chief announced that they will be reducing the patrol force for our sector which is 2 months after he said he would not be doing that. They looked at response time, call volume, and staff or patrols per call. A letter has been sent to the chief from all of the neighborhoods, and they will revisit the decision. Our sector had the highest priority 1 calls for the city. Our response time is short, because we are denser. And Mueller is about to have new residents so we will be seeing an increase in population. C) Uhaul... Leslie Lawson from Wilshire Woods has contacted us about concern about people living in the empty Uhaul trucks. Wilshire Woods is interested in pursuing this, and because they are technically a part of our neighborhood that we would support Wilshire. We will be looking into meeting with the managers at Uhaul.

Transportation: Tom would like to have a committee meeting to kick off the transportation committee. There will also be items to review regarding the crossing at Airport. An invitation will be issued online, and a date will be decided upon after the meeting tonight.

Mueller Meeting: Several months ago, there was an announcement regarding the Sheiffer Longhorn and closing the median break at 40th street. People would be able to exit Mueller and go either north or south. People would be able to exit our neighborhood and go south only unless they exit at 38½. Early in this project, input was collected from our neighborhood, and the engineers put together a design plan. Now the neighbors nearest 40th street are asking about the design & the community process. In the meantime, the median crossing was removed. We're still working to see what can be done. The neighborhood has concerns about the current plans, and especially with traffic on 38½ at the light at Airport with so many people waiting to turn left since so much traffic has been pushed onto 38½.

Minutes: Minutes have not gone through a formal review and approval process. We would like to approve minutes at the meetings, and would also like to make sure that copies are on file, and are on the website for review.

Planning & Zoning: A) Next Tuesday night at UBC meet at St. George's, we will be voting about Vertical Mixed Use (VMU). Our recommendation was that we would like to opt-in to VMU on the I-35 frontage, the north side of Manor Road, Airport Blvd, and the north side of 38½ from I35 to the railroad crossing. However, VMU is not applicable to properties that are zoned multi-family. So, we would like to rezone these properties to a commercial category, so that they can be eligible for VMU. B) The property at 38½ and Robinson would like a zoning change from residential to office. The owner of the property would like to do either a hair salon or travel agency there. He has reasons why the neighborhood would want to support this change. For us to consider it, he would need to get input from the abutting properties, and he would need to then come present to the committee and make his argument.

5. Action Items

- Summer to bring hard copies of the minutes to the next meeting for review and approval.

6. **Adjournment (about 8:20pm)**